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FIRE DESTROYED | ICE GORGE TEARS

Fought Flames and Saved Their Belongings.

INCENDIARY ORIGIN HINTED. VENICE WATER TOWER'S PERIL.

Damage to Building and Contents May Exceed \$50,000-President A. M. Jackson's Courage.

insurance.

Fiames were first discovered in the attic of barrack "B," a three-story brick structure, and rapidly spread until the entire building was ablance. building was ablaze.

The barrack was an addition to the old building and, as the latter was built of wood, that, too, was soon a mass of fiames. The Alton Fire Department, assisted by the students, fought the flames for over two hours, but both buildings were burned.

It is believed that the fire was of in-

cendiary origin. Two weeks ago barrack "A," a detached building, was burned to the ground, and this morning one of the beds of

the students was found in flames.

The students number about 150, and were all in the classroom in the barracks when the flames were discovered. The boys have been thoroughly drilled in a fire drill and at the sound of the bugie at once fell in

Under command of their officers, Colonel A. M. Jackson and Captain George D. Eton, the work of saving the fittings of the institution was instituted. The boys worked bravely and everything movable was removed from the building.

The furniture and clothing was piled on the campus and a squad detailed for guard duty. The boys took turns at sentry duty throughout the night, and this morning the effects will be removed to places of safety. The boilding which was destroyed conthe cadets, the rooms occupied by Colonel and Mrs. Jackson, Captain and Mrs. Eaton,

commandant and assistant commandant, respectively, of the academy. The frame building was known as the Wyman Academy and was one of the historical landmarks of Illinois. It was erected nearly fifty years ago by Edward Wyman

The old academy was for many years a favorite educational institution for boys from St. Louiz. The Western Military Academy had occupied the building for about

by the fire were given quarters in the private residences in Upper Alton and at Shurtleff College. Colonel Jackson stated that no steps had been taken for the resumption of studies, and the future movements of the owners of the academy can-

There were no fatalities, and a number of the students succeeded in saving their wearing apparel, though the loss in this line will be quite heavy. There were quite a number of St. Louis and Chicago boys in the institution, but their relatives

have no apprehension, for the boys are recelving the best care and attention. Colonel Jackson authorized the following statement last night: "It is absolutely impossible to tell how the fire started. The fire was discovered in a closet on the second floor of barracks B

and soon spread throughout the building. There is no doubt but that the building was fired by some one who has a grudge against Professor Edward Wyman of St. Louis

crected Wyman Hall in 1878, and connecte with him was H. N. Kendail, who, until his death, was a cracker manufacturer of St. Louis. In 1892 the building was sold to Colonel Brown of Wichita, Kas., who changed the name to the Western Military Academy, and who in turn sold the institution to a company, headed by Colonel A. M. Jackson as president and Captain G. D. Eaton as secretary and treasurer.

Eaten as eccretary and treasurer.
Following is the roster of students at
Western Military Academy:
E. A. Staddon, Springfield, Ill.; M. L. Stubblefield, El Paso, Ill.; A. C. Taylor, Leavenworth, Kas; H. W. Tidwell, Memphis, Tenn.; J. B. Wagg, Appleton, Wis; S Von Wise, Greenville, Ill; G. Wyckoff, Bloom-ington, Ill.; J. C. Calhoun, New York; Neil

Winstead, St. Louis; Triplet Casey, Mount Vernon, Ill.; H. J. Walker, St. Louis; Francis Bacon, Oregon, Ill.; R. H. Lefman, St. Louis; R. W. Loma, St. Louis; W. B. McAdams, Denver, Colo.; R. B. McCoy, Deland, Fla.; J. H. McHenry, St. Louis; L. A. Mella, Leavenworth, Kas.; A. J. Markham, Pueblo, Mextoo; T. M. Murphy, Leavenworth, Kas.; Frens Parnass, Chicago; H. A. Pickel, St. Louis; A. C. Quelmaiz, St. Louis; Benny Rowe, Chicago; B. H. Sampson, Cincinnati; W. F. Snow, Council Bluffs, Ia.; W. W. Sheridan, Sullivan, Ill.; Robert Halbach, Quincy, Ill.; M. C. Jameson, St. Louis; J. C. Jones, St. Louis; W. R. Jones, Colorado C. Jones, St. Louis; W. R. Jones, Colorado Springa, Colo.; J. M. King, Red Oak, Ia.; Raiph Krause, St. Louis; F. C. London, Winona, Minn.; C. L. Legga, Pontiac, Ill.; C. Lockhart, Fuiton, Ill.; C. L. Martin, Canton, Ill.; C. R. McCreery, Rushville, Ill.; A. W. Meier, St. Louis; B. L. Middleton, Chicago; J. R. Murphy, Pontiac, Ill.; C. D. Nague, Rock Island, Ill. V. C. Patterson, Chicago; J. R. Murphy, Pontiac, III.; C. D. Negua, Rock Island, III.; V. C. Peterson, Rockford, III.; G. W. Pickson, St. Louis; H. C. Robinson, Buffalo, III.; R. G. Sada, Monterey, Mexico; Washington Adams, St. Louis; George Albon, Desoto, III.; H. J. Avkom, Springfield, III.; Herbert Rach, St. Louis; L. F. Bigelo, O'Fallon, III.; C. A. Bell, Marion, III.; W. L. Benson, Chicago, III.; A. Bischoff, St. Louis; M. P. Bissell, Evanston, III.; H. C. Brown, Deming, N. M.; V. R. Brown, Leavenworth, Kar.; A. V. Brownbooh, Decatur, III.; E. M. Downer, Grandville, O.; L. P. Perriss, Holly Springs, Miss.; J. Feuerbacher, St. Louis; C. H. Fontins, Denver, Colo.; J. W. Francis, Chicago; W. R. Gardner, Grand Tower, III.; E. W. Giger, Leavenworth, Kas.; J. M. Grant, Denver, Colo.; H. W. Gray, Chicago; Willie G. Gruhn, Medora, III.; D. A. Dunham Scott, Van Buren, Ark.; I. S. Lead, Winona, Minn.; Claud Smith, Flora, III.; H. C. Stephenson, Orleans, III.; R. W. Stumse, Washington, Mo.; E. W. Vickery, Jacksonville, III.; J. L. Wayland, Piedmont, Mo.; W. A. Weimar, New Athens, III.; B. M. Kuhn, Bloomington, III.; W. H. Bohn, Elwardsville, III.; J. L. Wayland, Piedmont, Mo.; W. A. Weimar, New Athens, III.; B. M. Kuhn, Bloomington, III.; W. H. Bohn, Elwardsville, III.; J. L. M., R. Rothols, Marianna, Ark.; T. J. Adams, Jacksonville, III.; A. W. Cassiday, St. Louis; C. C. Casalett, Assumption, III.; R. Marionville, Mo.; R. M. Craig, Downs, III.; Negus, Rock Island, Ill.: V. C. Peterson

MILITARY ACADEMY BOATS FROM MOORINGS : WANTS I

Students of Alton School Bravely | Ten Persons Escape at Missouri's Mouth by Fleeing to Shore.

Dynamite Used to Remove Obstruction-Sudden Rise of Four Feet in Mississippi

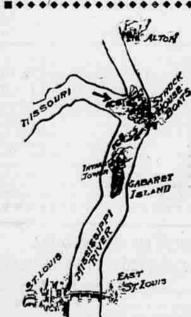
STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT JACKSON.

Alton, RL., Feh. 5.—The cadets of the Western Military Academy will leave for their homes to-morrow. The school is suspended until further notice. Just now our plans are necessarily indefinite.

A. M. JACKSON.**

Fire, started, it is believed, by incendiaries, completely destroyed the Western Military Academy at Upper Alton shortly after 7 o'clock last night, entailing damages to the extent of \$50,000, partly covered by insurance.

Fiames were first discovered in the attic River endangers vessels at the St.



houseboats were tied; water tower at Gab-aret Island, which is endangered by the formation of another gorge, and the rela-tive positions of both to St. Louis.

Immense ice floes sweeping down the Missouri River rammed into a small colony of houseboat dwellers on the Illinois shore just below the mouth of the river yesterday norning, crushing the boats and causing the inmates to flee neross the ice for their lives. Four of the houses were sunk.

When the gorge broke part of it floated down the river and piled against the intake tower of the Granite City Waterworks, threatening its destruction. A large force of men are at work all night endeavoring to save the water plant by breaking up the heavy packs with dynamite blasts.

The river at St. Louis has risen more than four feet since yesterday morning. The wharfboats and landings were drawn in nearer and moored with extra chains. Con siderable ice is noticed in the channel, but so far it has not been heavy enough to de

Occupants of the boathouses who have been rendered homeless are John A. Arthur his wife and two children; Samuel Sexton and his wife; F. C. Collins, wife and one child, and Morris Helman. Arthur arrived in Granite City yesterday to buy clothing

"A few days ago," he said, "the river was almost seven feet lower than it is now, and we did not think it would rise again until spring. All the houses were high on the each for the winter.

"Wednesday night when we went to be the river had risen considerably and was filled with small cakes of ice. I did no then think there was danger. AWAKES TO FIND BOAT CARRIED AWAY IN JAM

"It must have been about 3 o'clock in the morning when I heard my wife scream. I awoke and started to ask what was the matter when the house gave a lurch, throw-

"My wife took the baby and we ran out house there seemed to be a solid stretch of "The boat began to move again and we

ran around to the rear end. We could see the black line of the shore about twenty feet away. Between the house and the shore the river was filled with thick cake of ice.

already reached shore and called to us to try for land; that the ice would support us. FLEES OVER BROKEN ICE TO SAFETY ON SHORE.

"My wife did not wait further, bu jumped off the boat and started across the ice with the baby. She fell once, but Col lins rushed out and brought her in. I took the other child, and managed to reach the

"Collins, Sexton and Heiman, it seems, knew of their danger before I awoke, and had run on shore before the houses began

"All four houses were standing in a row The ice struck the shore just above the firs into the river. We saw them go out int the gloom and disappear.

"Later in the day the ice began to breat up. We managed to get a skiff and come further down the river, where we left the women and children. My wife's feet were frozen. The others had time to dress be fore they left their boats.

BREAKING OR ICE GORGE RESPONSIBLE FOR RIVER'S RISE. The rapid rise of the river is attributed a

the breaking of heavy ice gorges on the Upper Missouri River. The first break was at Miami, Mo., Sunday. It swept down Hermann, started both down the river. Wednesday the river at St. Louis marked slightly above 11 fee, on the harbor gauge Yesterday more than 16 feet was registered, a rise of more than 4 feet in twenty-four

The intake tower of the Granite City water works is located about five miles above Granite City on Gaburet Island. It furnishes the water supply of Granite City,

2 LAWMAKER, ATTRACTED BY BARRINGTON CASE,

WANTS LEGISLATION TO COVER SIMILAR DECEPTIONS. \$ Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 5.-Barrington and his escapades have attracted the

attention of the legislators. Representative Selph of St. Louis will introduce a bill in the House to-morrow

which, if enacted, will make it a feloty for anybody to misrepresent himself with a view of enticing any girl into marriage.
"If the bill I propose to introduce becomes a law." said Mr. Selph to-night, "there will be semething besides workhouse sentences for such fellows as this Bar-

"Of course, a good many of us may picture glowing futures to the girls when we propose, but there is a line where a lover's imagination should have a limit, Fabulous fortunes, fake castles and bogus titles are some of the things against which I mean to legislate."

Selph's bill reads as follows: "Every person who shall by false pretension, imposition, cunning or deceit, or who shall have been convicted of any crime unknown to the contracting party, who shall attempt to obtain a license to marry or shall marry any person of good . character shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by imprisonment in the Penitentlary for a term of not less than two nor

CRUSADE FOR MORAL REFORM STIRS CITIZENS AND LEGISLATORS

JEFFERSON CITY GREATLY AGITATED.

more than ten years."

Capital Removal Question Divides Citizens Into Brooks and Anti-Brooks Factions.

COLDEN UPHOLDS MINISTER. JOINS IN THE BROOKS CRUSADE.

CHAPLAIN PRAYS

TO STOP GAMBLING.

Creates Stir in House of Repre

sentatives by Invoking Provi-

idential Assistance.

by Anyone at the Capital-The

Reverend Mr. Brooks Is-

sues Statement.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 5.—Chaplain Russell of the House of Representatives

left the even tenor of his way this morning

when he prayed that some way might be found to "shut up these gambling heils and

take down the signs across the windows of things now lawful to self,"

His prayer created something of a sensa-

gambling he raised his voice until it could be heard out in the corridor. It was the

dimax of his prayer and produced an effect

hard to describe. The most ancient habitue

thing of the kind ever had happened before.

Chaplain Russell is an old man with a

kindly face, and not given to sensational-

ism. That he should come to the rescue of the Reverend Crayton S. Brooks, his recent

the situation. That his indignation had

been aroused to a high pitch none doubted. The Reverend Crayton S. Brooks is still

nammering at the gambling in Jefferson

City, despite the claim that he is lending

flame to the agitation of removing the cap-

ital from Jeffereon City to St. Louis, where

this morning he says among other things:

does not require that we provide numerous

day saloons for their entertainm

our local authorities.

and convenient gambling devices and Sun-

friend seems to suggest. Many of them

ly against the lax enforcement of less by

"It to too late in the day to defend gam

blinge and kindred vices, some of our of

ficers of the law to the contrary notwith

standing. The German people do not gam-

law on this subject. The many church

isw and order. Many who are not church

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only a small minority. But the righteous

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LEADING TOPICS

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TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT

THE MOON SETS TO-MORROW MORN-

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CHICAGO: MAY WHEAT 78%0 BID; MAY

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

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Russian Editors Fight Censorship.

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Two Parties Define Positions on Truste

Hobson Insists Upon Resigning From

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Feet to His Death.

ly fair; not so cold.

6. Editorial

The Stage

"Courtesy to our guests, the legislators,

rival for the chaplaincy, lent piquancy to

of the House could not remember that any-

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Author of Resolution Scores Those | No Similar Appeal Is Remembered Who Blame Preacher for Agitation-Says Move Was Begun Partly in Jest.

BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 5.—Every man, woman and child of Jefferson City has turned lobbyist against capital removal. Started as a joke, taken seriously by the legislators, and progressing to threatening proportion, natives of the capital are doing heir utmost to stem what they deem a dangerous movement.

The life of a legislator is not pleasant here nowadays. When he goes to breakfast, he s greeted by his landlady and landlord with protests; the barber, with uplifted razor, presents arguments against removal, while the business men are actively engaged in canvassing the situation. They have almost given up hope of beating a removal resolu-DEBATE TO-DAY.

It is probable that the matter will come for a warm debate to-morrow morating.

Just before adjoirnment this evening,
which did not take place until nearly half past 5, and after fifty-two members had left the House, Mr. Oliver of Cape Girardeau moved that the vote by which the Colden capital removal resolution had been sent to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments be reconsidered. Atkinson of open gambling does not flourish. In a com-Ripley seconded the motion, Speaker White-munication to the Jefferson City Tribune otton rushed matters, and, on a division, the motion was carried by a vote of 50 to 40

tion," said Mr. Oliver this evening. "It is not fair to condemn the capital city before its side has been heard. After some of the harsh language has been removed, I am willing for the resolution to be referred back to the committee."

People who live in Jefferson City are tak ing advantage of this temporary respite to six years ago it cost them thousands of dollars to beat the amendment to remove the capital to Sedalia. Some citizens even mortgaged their furniture in order to contribute to the fund. It was an experience which they have not forgotten.

It is probable that there will be a spirited debate in the morning. Kansas City is trying to flirt with Jefferson City, and may combine to keep it from going to St. Louis. toward coming forward with a proposition s being taken up as an argument by Jefferson City people.
BITTER FEELING.

Whether the amendment ever gets before the people or not, there will be factions left in Tefferson City which will not soon heal. One element of the population, esopen gambling, is denouncing the Reverence Brooks for starting the antigambling cru sade. Already Brooks and anti-Brooks factions are fighting one another, tooth and

Representative Colden came to the de fense of the Reverend Mr. Brooks this evening by giving out the following state "I am surprised at the seriousness of the people of Jefferson City on the capital re-moval proposition, and I am doubly sur-prised that the people of this city should hold Elder Brooks responsible for the con-dition of affairs that exact.

"I am in sympathy with the young minis ter who has the courage to openly discuss these matters. It seems that the people of the city, instead of eradicating the evils that

exist, seek rather to silence the voice that s ringing the truth in their ears. "Let them enforce the law, close up these saloons and other places on Sunday, and the city's people will have done more to earn the good will of the legislator than by

"I regret that some people of this place direct their venom against a young minister who seeks to do his duty rather than toward those whose infamy has caused un-"My resolution was introduced partly in fun and partly to test sentiment on the question. But if the people here insist on

abusing their courageous young parson.

this matter and refuse to place it on the who are really at fault. I shall give this matter more serious consideration." The Reverend Mr. Brooks has received scores of letters commenting his reform movement. One from Sedalla, which tried to canture the capital six years ago, does not tend to alleviate the feelings of Jefferson City people. One sentence, indicative of others, is as follows:

scribing to Elder Brooks all the blame in

"It gives me great pleasure therefore in dalia, to assure you of our most hearty sympathy with you in your heroic effort to purify the morals of your city and thereby elevate the standard of good citizenship in the capital of our great State.

OPERA SINGER WM. PAULL FALLS 130 FEET TO HIS DEATH

Barytone of Castle Square Company Plunges From Sixth Story of the Southern-Death Follows Almost Immediately-Negotiations in Progress for Securing Life Insurance Policy for Himself and Wife-Mrs. Paull Is Dist racted.



WILLIAM PAULL



MRS. WILLIAM PAULL

ful tossing and fever, William Paull, barytone of the Castle Square Opera Company. plunged straight as an arrow to certain Fourth street side of the Southern Hotel Phursday afternoon shortly after 1 o'clock. Whether he fell, jumped or was thrown from the window may remain a matter for onjecture, as there is no one who say him at the time he left the window. There are some who adhere to the theory

that Pauli was thrown from the window, although Doctor L. H. Behrens, house physician at the Southern, who attended the unfortunate man, declares there was no evidence of a struggle, either in the room from which he fell or upon the clothing or person of the singer. The spot where he fell is directly opposite the scene of the John Moog murder. time the news of Paull's fall

reached the hotel counter, Charley Van Studdiford was waiting for the unfortunate man by appointment in the corridor to insure his life.

He and Joseph Sheehan were to give Van

Studdiford a decided answer in the after-noon as to whether they would sign policies. As fin, thody struck the pavement there was if thicking of silver coin, which had left the pocks of the unfortunate singer in his

Quivering with convulsions, the body of the actor was tenderly picked from the side-walk of passers-by and conducted into the popul corridor. Later Pauli was carried to the baggage-room, where a temporary couch was constructed on the floor out of bell lockes. Then Doctor Behrens was hasting dependent.

The pointe were in favor of sending the injured man to the City Hospital immediately, but upon Doctor Behrens's arrival this plan was abandoned, as he pronounced For St. Louis and Vicinity-General-Pager

1. Opera Singer William Paul Fails Crusade for Moral Reform in Jemerson

him hopelessly injured, and stated that if moved he would die en route to the hos-pital.

His-prediction was correct, for Paull ex pired at exactly 1:50 o'clock. QNLY TWO WITNESSES SAW THE MAN FALL

But two persons could be found who had seen Pauli while he was descending from the top story of the building. They were C. R. Crandali of the Amerian Type Foundry Company, and Paul Dun-lap, a youth of No. 311 Portis avenue.

Both were coming south on Fourth street when they were dumfounded almost at the sight of a man apparently diving off the

Straight as an arrow he descended until a telephone wire was struck; then the body whirled about several times, and struck a horse which was attached to an express wagon. It then caromed off to the side-Crandall ran quickly to the side of the

injured man, and calling several others to his assistance burried Pauli into the cor-Ryan, day clerk at the Southern identified the unfortunate fellow as Pauli and hastened to inform his wife that he was

ill down stairs.
He found the wife searching for her hus he found the wife scarcing for her hus-band in their room. No. 446. They had been together a moment before and she had stepped out of the room. Mrs. Pauli was remarkably composed as she descended the stairs with the cierk, as she was not aware of the gravity of her-

husband's condition. On the way, however

Dashing up to where her husband lay she threw herself despairingly upon the pros-trate form of the unconscious man and ex-

claimed:

"Oh Will, why did you do it? Speak to me! Speak to me! Speak to me!"

This statement was attributed by friends to the fact that she was at the time laboring under great mental strain.

Finally it was seen that the excitement

and grief was rapidly overcoming her. Her strength gave out and she was led to her room by Charlie Van Studdiford, a friend

dow, where he probably went to get some fresh air, and lost his balance."

Leffingwell sent a telegram to Manager Savage shortly after Paul's death, etating

and received injuries which caused his

death.

Doctor Behrens's examination showed that death was caused most probably from

severely at the center of the top. In all probability it is fractured. That is the injury that caused death, although I am of

the opinion he would have died from the effects of ruptures of the intestines, since he vomited blood very profusely.."

He also sustained a compound fracture of

SORROW OF WIFE

MOVED BYSTANDERS.

the careful consideration of those handling the properties what effect a refusal is going to have on the stock values of the properties involved. We are not altogether ignorant of the fact that the effect of a refusal will cause a shrinkage of values in railway securities in one day that will more than equal the amount necessary to meet the increased cost of operation involved for a period of years, and that, if it should embrace any great extent of mileage, Wall street will be the proper place to consult the financial barometer, and an obstinate refusal may serve as the best corrective that has yet been found for the

With the rejection of the 11 per cent inrease offered by the Missouri Pacific the Conductors yesterday made a final demand for an increase of 15 per cent which is said to be the same as was made on the Mis-

souri, Kunsas and Texas officials. It is expected that the Missouri, Kansas and Texas officers will make a reply to the lemands of the trainmen and conductors

them for an angwer. mand is refused the committeemen will not

In discussing the situation one of them said: "The only way to settle this matter for the best of all is for the roads to grant our demands. "We think 20 per cent a just increase; they think 10 per cent, and it has ever been our policy to make concessions toward peace, but we want it distinctly understood that we are not going to do all

she heard some one say that a man had jumped from the sixth story of the hotel and then it was that the horrible truth dawned upon her. two of the roads, and our demand must be granted or they will have to take the confsequences."

STORM CENTERS IN ST. LOUIS.

A rumor which has been circulating for several days that St. Louis has become the storm center of the wage-increase trouble throughout the West has been confirmed. From an authoritative source it is learned MOVED BYSTANDERS.

Her grief was pitiable, and many a terr dimmed the eye of even those who flocked into the corridor out of mere idle curiosity. Friends gathered about and tried to persuade her to return to her room. Some even tried to take her by force, but she fought them off, declaring that she would stay with her husband to the end.

Finally it was seen that the excitement

roads have agreed to abide by settlement rond.

of her husband. Paull's friends declare that he must sure Pauli's friends declare that he must surely have fallen from the window. The suicide theory they scout as the wildest of canards. That he was thrown from the window, they say, is most improbable, as he had no enzemies, and besides, they claim he would not allow himself to be thrown without a struggle, and then surely some one would tave heard, they say. Detective James Tracy was assigned by Chief Desmond to work up the murder theory.

J. D. Leffingwell, manager of the Savage forces in St. Louis, was visibly affected by the occurrence. He said:

"It is very unfortunate. Poor Bill felt A significant fact, as shown in the prog-

The original demand made on the St. Louis lines was unanimously refused; the 10 per cent increase offered by all has been rejected in two instances, and the tip is out that there is but little question of the ofthe occurrence. He said:
"It is very unfortunate. Poor Bill fell
from the window, I am sure; he would not
have killed himself. He must have been
seized with a nervous faintness at the winfers of the Frisco and Cotton Belt being re-

The 11 per cent offered by the two lines, with whom greater progress has been made. has been refused and an ultimatum served

ctors employed on the Souther

A. B. Garretson, assistant grand chief of the Order of Railway Conductors, in an in-terview while tacitly admitting that St. Louis has become the storm center of the lief that such drastic measures would not would ensue it could be ultimately settled

ures," said Mr. Garretson, "but we think our demands were just even before we made

TRAINMEN MAKE FINAL DEMAND ON MISSOURI PACIFIC.

Result of Probable Refusal to Grant Demand May Cause Strike.

MEN WANT FIFTEEN PER CENT.

St. Louis Is Now Center of Wage Increase Trouble Throughout the West.

OTHER POLLS ARE NOT IN.

Offer of Eleven Per Cent Is Rejected in Two Instances and Concerted Movement by Committees or Organizations Is Predicted.

AUTHORIZED STATEMENT BY LEADERS OF ORGANIZATIONS.

The following statement was authorized by Mesers, P. H. Morrissey and A. B. Garretson last night:

The position of the organization is simply that, despite the fact that the men have voted almost unanimously to uphold the original request for more percent increase, and, with that authorization in our hands, we have mude a concess the greatest that has ever been made by men similarly situated. We have heard much in the negotiations of the

past twenty-five days of the effect that the granting of the increase asked would have on the financial future of the railways, but it is worth the careful consideration of those handling the

ter, and an obstinate refusal may serve as the best corrective that has yet been found for the policy of consolidation that has been so popular of late and for which a legal remedy has been variely sought. From first to last we have given full consideration to the rights of others and of the public; but we cannot accept the finding that all the obligation lies on us to conserve the interests of both the properties interested and the public, at the expense of our own, and we propose that others shall bear their share of the "white man's burden."

by noon to-day, which is the time granted What action will be taken in case the de-

say in blunt English.

the peacemaking and make all the conces-"We have made our last concession to

that the managements of all the Western

made by the officials of the St. Louis lines. As a result, forty-three committees of the Order of Railway Conductors and Brotherhood of Railway Firemen in various cities throughout the West are awaiting the action of the leaders in St. Louis, who are said to be vested with the authority to declare a strike involving 30,000 trainmen and unductors and tying up 80,000 miles of rail-

ress of the conferences, is the concerted action which seems to have been taken on both sides.

fused.

It is argued from these facts that in case the final demand of 15 per cent is refused by the M., K. & T. to-day it will also be due time by the other lines, which will mean a strike, involving 5,000 trainmen and

waye-increase situation, expressed the beecome necessary, and in case a strike without involving any other line.

the right arm, a very ugly hurt, as the bones of that member protruded through the skin. No cause for suicide, if it was such, was given by the intimates of the singer. His domestic relations were always of the hap-plest, they claim. "In fact they fairly

Will Reopen Mysenberg Case. Guest Is Overcome by Gas.

hemorrhage of the brain.